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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

11	ROSA BECERRA,	)	Case No. CV 12-09410 DDP (MANx)
12	Plaintiff,	)	
13	v.	)	<b>ORDER TO SHOW RE: AMOUNT IN</b>
14	PENNSYLVANIA LIFE INSURANCE	)	<b>CONTROVERSY</b>
15	COMPANY,	)	
16	Defendants.	)	
17	_____	)	

Defendant is ordered to show cause why this action should not be remanded for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. Defendant removed the action to this court on the basis of diversity jurisdiction, asserting contractual damages in the amount of \$52,000. Defendant asserts that if bad faith is found, the amount in controversy will exceed the \$75,000 threshold. However, the mere possibility of punitive damages is not sufficient to establish an amount in controversy. It is therefore not clear to the court that the amount in controversy in this matter exceeds \$75,000, as is required to establish diversity jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332.

1 Accordingly, Defendant is ordered to file a brief, not to  
2 exceed five pages, by Monday, December 17, 2012, showing cause why  
3 this action should not be remanded for lack of subject matter  
4 jurisdiction. Defendant should also deliver a courtesy copy to  
5 chambers, Room 244-J, Second Floor, 312 N. Spring Street, Los  
6 Angeles. Failure to file a brief in accordance with this Order  
7 will be deemed consent to remand of this action.

8 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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11 Dated: December 7, 2012



DEAN D. PREGERSON  
United States District Judge